

BUSH IN BOX FOR OPENING MACKS FRAY

Red Sox to Play Athletics in First Game of Season Here

RUTH OPPOSING SLABMAN

Today's Probable Line-up of Athletics-Red Sox Game

Table with 2 columns: Athletics and Red Sox, listing player names and positions.

By CHANDLER D. RICHTER

After losing five successive games in Boston and New York, the Athletics will open the home season at Shibe Park this afternoon with the Boston Red Sox...



PHOTO BY H. R. SMITH

FASHION PARADE MODEL This is only one of the many striking young women who are successfully boosting the cause of the Walnut Street Business Association in the fashion display at Atlantic City...

CHASE FOR VILLA HALTED PENDING ADVICE BY SCOTT

Shift in Mexican Campaign Indicated in Chief's Visit

NO MOVE TO WITHDRAW

The pursuit of Pancho Villa is at a temporary standstill, pending the arrival at San Antonio of Chief of Staff Scott. Indications are that after consultation with General Funston a change in the campaign will be made.

It is probable both the home base and the field headquarters of General Pershing will be shifted.

Carranza's agent in Washington announces emphatically that the Mexican Government has not made demands for immediate withdrawal of the American troops.

The U. S. troops are "itching" to get at the Carranzistas who attacked them at Parral. At the front it is the opinion that the treachery revealed there means war with Carranza.

The body of Villa has not yet been produced.

U. S. SOLDIERS JUST ITCHING TO GET AT CARRANZISTAS

(By-aeroplane to Námiquipa, April 18, by cable to Columbus, N. M., April 20.—With General Pershing at the front near Parral, April 18.—Over this camp of cavalry, concentrated at the extreme front in Mexico, there hangs an ominous tension. Apparently inert and resting, the troops nevertheless virtually have been barraged against an expected attack by Carranzistas and Chihuahuas, with a possible admixture of Villistas.)

Smarting from the forced retreat from

Continued on Page Two, Column Four

COMMISSION PUTS O. K. ON CUT OF ELECTRIC RATES

In Session Until 2 A. M. in Harrisburg—Means Saving of 25 Per Cent.

APRIL BILLS INCLUDED

Order Made Retroactive—Only Big Corporations Do Not Benefit

The new electric rates for Philadelphia which will mean a saving of nearly \$1,250,000 annually for consumers in this city, were approved by the State Public Service Commission at 2 o'clock this morning.

The rates for household consumers are reduced from 10 to 12 cents per kw. hour to 7.37 to 5.83 cents. The city receives a reduction of \$10 per year on each acre light, with a refund of \$150,000 on the contract price for 1915 and the first three months of the present year.

No reduction is made in the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company and other large power current consumers.

The new rate schedule was agreed upon March 10 by the Electric Company and the complainants after the case had been before the commission for nearly two years. Public Service Commissioner John Monaghan, who had been conducting the case gave his personal assistance in effecting the compromise and the new schedule was then laid before the entire commission for the approval.

The formal order. In Commissioner Ainey's order the reduction in city lighting rates was given as follows:

"City cables, type 'C' single are and are twin light, \$55 a year; company underground, type 'C' single are and are single, \$90 a year; \$5.83 per kw. hour; single, company aerial, type 'C' single, \$71.30; are underground, are single, \$84.25.

"Reduction in rates in city residences will be about 25 per cent.

"Reduction to stores and all commercial users of power will be 18 to 35 per cent.

"A similar reduction to all other small consumers, but not reduction to large power consumers.

"The street lighting contract makes a cut of \$160,000 for the current year and \$150,000 for the next year, a total reduction on the P. S. C. basis of \$1,050,000, and it will make an estimated reduction for the year 1915 of about \$1,250,000.

"This is the order of the commission, including an introduction covering the points at issue, now to wit, April 19, 1916. It is ordered that the above-mentioned plan of settlement in said public street lighting rates be approved, and that the new schedule, prepared and presented to the commission, go into effect as of April 1, 1916, and

"The complainant be deemed satisfied and the above case closed.

(Signed W. D. E. Ainey, Chairman. NEW SCHEDULE TODAY.

The new schedule of rates affecting householders and all other small consumers will be made public from the office of the Philadelphia Electric Company here today.

The schedule covers nearly 30 pages. Neither President McCall nor Vice President Johnson of the company would make any statement this morning until they had received official notification from Harrisburg of the commission's action.

FIRE DAMAGES EDMUNDS' HOME

Early Morning Blaze Cause Loss of \$2000 in Lawyer's Country House. Upper Floor Aflame

The country home of Henry R. Edmunds, widely known lawyer, and president of the Board of Education, was damaged to the extent of about \$2,000 early today by a fire which started under the roof.

The building is located at Fairbairn street and Ridge avenue. It is a three-story stone and frame structure. The house was being repaired in preparation for occupancy during the summer months by Mr. Edmunds and his family. Men were at work on the roof, and after they left last night it is believed that sparks from a plumber's stove dropped into some shavings. The upper floor was soon all ablaze, and flames contested the flames for nearly an hour before they were extinguished. The loss caused by the fire is estimated at about \$18,000. At 1:50 this morning the fire broke out again, causing a loss of more than \$100.

Continued on Page Two, Column One

ONE MORE ILLEGAL ATTACK BY U-BOATS MEANS RUPTURE, WASHINGTON OFFICIALS SAY

Note to Berlin Leaves No Room for Debate and Puts Outcome Up to Germany, Is Opinion at Capital

Comment at Capital Shows President Will Have Support of Congress—Germans Assert Kaiser Cannot Agree to Drastic Demand to Abandon Submarine War on Commerce

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Washington directed attention today to a conference expected some time before evening between German Ambassador von Bernstorff and Secretary of State Lansing. The outcome it is believed, would be important in its bearing on the demand of the United States that Germany cease submarine warfare against all but actual war vessels.

The Ambassador and the Secretary of State are expected to discuss the United States' view of how submarine warfare should be carried on, once "present methods" are abandoned. At the State Department it was reiterated that Germany's present orders to commanders will have to be withdrawn and undersea attacks confined to warships pending any determination of a new plan of operations against merchant shipping.

PARIS, April 20.—The world's greatest battle at Verdun, only 135 miles from the French capital, suddenly took second place in public interest today with arrival of dispatches reporting President Wilson's speech. The President's strong stand won instant and unanimous approval here. That portion of his speech referring to his fight to uphold the principles of humanity was applauded as one of the finest utterances heard in any capital since the war began.

WASHINGTON, April 20. One more illegal attack on any ship, belligerent or neutral, whether Americans are aboard or not, after Germany has had time to transmit new orders to her submarine commanders, will mean the breaking of all relations—this is Washington's view today of the President's address yesterday to Congress and note to Berlin.

Whether the break comes or not depends on Germany, officials insist. It has ceased to be a question of words, and becomes one of deeds. Comment in the Capitol following the President's address shows that he will have the support of Congress in the course he has mapped out.

Germans here in close touch with Berlin declare there will be no break—that Germany will meet the President's demands. In Administration circles there is far less optimism, though many Senators and Representatives still believe that the break will be avoided, some counting on Germany's concessions and some on a moderate interpretation of the statements made in the note and address.

The note and address, it is agreed on all sides, are far stronger and more definite than anything the President has previously said on the subject. They are virtually identical, and lawyers point out that they narrow the whole debate down to one issue—what Germany does.

The question of law, of responsibility, of disavowal and of indemnity have all been set aside, and the President has made a single demand—that submarine outrages cease. The gist of his whole position is declared to be stated in the one sentence:

"Unless the Imperial Government should now immediately declare and effect an abandonment of its present methods of submarine warfare against passenger and freight-carrying vessels, the Government of the United States can have no choice but to sever diplomatic relations with the German Empire altogether."

NO ROOM LEFT FOR DEBATE. This officials point out, is an ultimatum in all but that it fails to name a definite time limit.

It states what must be done, and what will follow if the demand is disregarded. It does not leave room for debate.

Whether a break will come, Germans here say, depends on the exact meaning of this passage, and they see in it a way out of the carrying vessels, which she believes is her only weapon against Britain, and which she also believes is certain in the end to conquer Britain and end the war. They do not accept the interpretation.

"The President says we must abandon our present methods," said one high official of the German Embassy. "These methods were adopted in reprisal against"

Continued on Page Two, Column One

QUICK NEWS

BOMB THROWS FAMILY OF 11 FROM BEDS IN CAMDEN

A bomb loaded with pieces of metal and iron pipe exploded on the doorstep of Dominic Artizio, 424 Emerald street, Camden, early today, burst through the two doors at the entrance of the house and threw Artizio, his wife, seven children and two brothers-in-law from their beds, besides frightening the neighborhood. Windows were shattered and the doorstep was splintered, but no one was hurt. A squad of police was needed to keep the frightened residents in check. Artizio said he had no enemies.

TORNADO IN MIDDLE WEST KILLS NINE

KANSAS CITY, Mo., April 20.—Nine persons are reported dead and nearly 100 injured by tornadoes which swept three areas in Kansas and Missouri last night.

GOVERNOR BRUMBAUGH NOT ILL, SAYS KOLB

Colonel Louis J. Kolb today denied the reports that Governor Brumbaugh is ill. He said that he accompanied the Governor and Mrs. Brumbaugh to Washington last Thursday night, and that the Governor is now resting at the country home of Charles I. Corby outside of Washington. The Governor, he said, did have an attack of acute indigestion, but he has recovered.

EX-PREMIER VENIZELOS CANDIDATE AGAIN

ATHENS, April 20.—Former Premier Venizelos has decided to stand as a candidate for the Chamber of Deputies from Mitylene on May 7. The Venizelos party, which refrained from participation in the last general election, will contest all bye-elections hereafter.

NO DANCING GOOD FRIDAY IN CAFES AND HOTELS

Dancing will be discontinued tomorrow, Good Friday, at the leading hotels and restaurants of Philadelphia. This decision was reached today by hotelmen. The places which will respect the day are the Bellevue-Stratford, Adelphi, Arcadia, Kugler's, Ritz-Carlton, St. James, L'Algon, Colonnade, Rittenhouse, Aldine and Majestic.

LAST STATE HANGING AT MOYA NEXT TUESDAY

The last hanging in Pennsylvania will take place next Tuesday, in Moyamensing Prison, when James Reilly, of Philadelphia, will be made to pay the penalty for the murder of his wife before the enactment of the electrocution law in 1913. The State Board of Pardons has refused to recommend commutation of the death sentence of Reilly. This is the second time that the board has refused a recommendation of clemency in his case. The board has also declined to recommend clemency in the cases of Henry J. H. Webb, Allegheny and Stainoff Woscheshki, Beaver, who are to be electrocuted.

SENATE DECIDES TO ENACT FREE SUGAR REPEALER

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Senate Democrats in conference last night decided to enact into law the House bill repealing the provision in the Underwood-Simmons tariff law which would have placed sugar on the free list, May 1, 1916.

FIELDER NAMES MAY 12 AS "NEW JERSEY DAY"

TRENTON, April 20.—Governor Fielder has issued a proclamation designating Friday, May 12, as New Jersey Day, and urging the observance of such day by the people of the State. The proclamation requests that the national colors be displayed wherever possible and that schools, colleges, political, civic and commercial associations observe the occasion with appropriate exercises. The plan of holding New Jersey Day was formulated by the Department of Conservation and Development, as a means of disseminating information respecting the resources and opportunities of New Jersey.

ALLIES CABLE ANSWER TO AMERICAN NOTE

LONDON, April 20.—The reply of Great Britain and France to the American note concerning interference with maritime commerce by the Entente Allies has been cabled to Washington. The communication will be presented to the American Government by the French and British Ambassadors jointly. It consists of two parts, a long note and a supplement signed by the French Government. Since its arrival at Washington certain cable changes have been made in the original note.

WANTS U. S. INVITED TO CONFERENCE OF ALLIES

ROME, April 20.—Former Premier Luigi Luzzatti issued a communication last night urging that the United States be invited to participate in the coming commercial conference in Paris of delegates of the Allies. Professor Luzzatti's idea is to make the action of the Paris conference effective by obtaining the cooperation of friendly neutral Powers. He points out that agricultural staples constitute nine-tenths of the world's carrying trade, and argues that a permanent traffic federation is of the greatest importance as a measure tending to check the rising cost of living.

GREEKS REPORTED MASSACRED BY TURKS

LONDON, April 20.—Wholesale massacres of Greeks at Adrianople, Constantinople and Smyrna are reported in a Salonica dispatch to the Morning Post. "In Adrianople and Demotica, Turks and Bulgarians acting together," says the dispatch, "killed 440 and wounded 200 Greeks after pillaging their houses. In the Smyrna district several Greek villages were raided, 200 persons being killed and many wounded. Constantinople was likewise the scene of serious massacres, no figures pertaining to which are available. All the massacres occurred on April 11."

MILITIA CALLED IN TO CURB HASTINGS STRIKERS

HASTINGS, N. Y., April 20.—Four companies of the New York National Guard, comprising 217 officers and men, arrived here last night after a riot of striking employees of the National Conduit and Cable Company had extended beyond control of the civil authorities. L. D. Van Aken, superintendent of the plant, says an effort will be made today to resume operations. The strikers last night voted to adhere to their demands, but quiet prevailed throughout the village.

GERMANY LIMITS SOAP CONSUMPTION

BERLIN, April 20.—The Federal Council has authorized the Imperial Chancellor to regulate the sale of soap, soap powder and other saponaceous compounds. According to the Tageblatt, it is the intention to limit the supply of soap to 100 grams (about three ounces) per capita monthly, and of other substances of this class to 500 grams (about a pound and a quarter) monthly, to be sold only on presentation of a bread card.

DUTCH SOLDIERS DENIED EASTER FURLONGHS

THE HAGUE, April 20.—"The dangers which the Government feared have not yet disappeared," declared the Premier, Dr. van Linder, to a delegation which had requested him to allow furloughs to Dutch soldiers for the Easter holidays. The Premier said emphatically that no furloughs would be allowed, declaring the maintenance of Dutch neutrality demanded continuance of the strictest means "to prevent or being surprised by events."

NEUTRAL SHIPS CHARTERED BY SWITZERLAND

BERNE, April 20.—The Swiss Government has directed its commercial department to charter a number of neutral steamships, especially American, exclusively for Swiss importations from the United States and Argentina. The names of the steamships and the schedule will be communicated to belligerents for the purpose of preventing erroneous attacks. Switzerland is virtually dependent upon America for her food supplies, which have been greatly restricted by the recent use of such large number of merchant vessels for war purposes.

"TONY" BIDDLE HAS 10,000 CADETS READY FOR WAR

Announcement was made today that A. J. Drexel Biddle will offer 10,000 Philadelphia young men of the Drexel Biddle Corps to President Wilson. The offer will be contingent upon the refusal of Germany to accede to the demands of the United States set forth in the note dispatched to Berlin yesterday. Many of the citizen soldiers have been drilling at regular intervals for more than a year.

THE WEATHER

FORECAST For Philadelphia and vicinity—Cloudy, probably showers and warmer today; cloudy tomorrow.

Immediately!

PRESIDENT WILSON

Unless the Imperial German Government should now IMMEDIATELY declare and effect an abandonment of its present methods of warfare against passenger and freight-carrying vessels this Government can have no choice but to sever diplomatic relations with the Government of the German Empire altogether.

WEBSTER'S DICTIONARY

IMMEDIATELY—Without interval of time; without delay; straightway; instantly; at once.

And Jesus... touched him, and immediately his leprosy was cleansed.—Matthew viii, 3.

LOST AND FOUND

FOUND—Found coat and vest... Found... Found...

FORTUNE OF HEIRESS LEFT TO CHAUFFEUR

George M. Stevens Will Get \$250,000 From Girl Who Married Him on Her Deathbed

DINERS SEE SHOOTING; MAN AND WIFE DYING

Allentown Man Shoots Wife and Sends Bullet Into Own Head—Child a Witness

ALLENTOWN, Pa., April 20.—Nevin J. Hunsicker, a baker, is dying at the Allentown Hospital today as the result of a self-inflicted bullet wound in his head, following an attempt to murder his wife, Lizzie Hunsicker, whom he shot in the breast. The doctors say she probably will die.

PAIN CAUSES MOTHER TO LEAP TO HER DEATH

Woman With 10 Children Dies at Hospital Doors—Family Says She Fell

Pains she suffered from neurasthenia are thought to have caused the mother of ten children to leap from a fourth-story window before dawn this morning. The woman, Mrs. Elsie Honiegan, 41 years old, was found in front of the steps of her home, at 321 Gaskill street. She died as she was being carried into the Pennsylvania Hospital.

NOODLE LENTEN SERVICES IN CITY'S CENTRE TODAY

EPISCOPALIAN Old Christ Church, 2d street above Market—12:30 to 12:55 p. m. Speaker, the Rev. James R. L. Nisbett.

LUTHERAN

St. John's, 6th and Race streets—12:30 to 12:55 p. m. Speaker, the Rev. C. Armand Miller, D. D.

PRESBYTERIAN

First Presbyterian Church, 7th and Locust streets—12:25 to 12:50 p. m. Speaker, the Rev. Guido Bossard, D. D.

Arch Street Presbyterian Church, 18th and Arch streets—12:15 to 12:50 p. m. Speaker, the Rev. Floyd Tomkins, D. D.

ALLTOWN MAN SHOTS WIFE AND SENDS BULLET INTO OWN HEAD—CHILD A WITNESS

ALLENTOWN, Pa., April 20.—Nevin J. Hunsicker, a baker, is dying at the Allentown Hospital today as the result of a self-inflicted bullet wound in his head, following an attempt to murder his wife, Lizzie Hunsicker, whom he shot in the breast. The doctors say she probably will die.

PAIN CAUSES MOTHER TO LEAP TO HER DEATH

Woman With 10 Children Dies at Hospital Doors—Family Says She Fell

Pains she suffered from neurasthenia are thought to have caused the mother of ten children to leap from a fourth-story window before dawn this morning. The woman, Mrs. Elsie Honiegan, 41 years old, was found in front of the steps of her home, at 321 Gaskill street. She died as she was being carried into the Pennsylvania Hospital.

NEUTRAL SHIPS CHARTERED BY SWITZERLAND

BERNE, April 20.—The Swiss Government has directed its commercial department to charter a number of neutral steamships, especially American, exclusively for Swiss importations from the United States and Argentina.

"TONY" BIDDLE HAS 10,000 CADETS READY FOR WAR

Announcement was made today that A. J. Drexel Biddle will offer 10,000 Philadelphia young men of the Drexel Biddle Corps to President Wilson. The offer will be contingent upon the refusal of Germany to accede to the demands of the United States set forth in the note dispatched to Berlin yesterday.